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The Newsletter for the Third Taxing District Electric Department

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Your Commission

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Upcoming Events

• Dec. 17th Dec. 18th Christmas Fair at the Library at Van Zilen Hall 51 Van Zant Street

• Dec. 20th

TTD Commission Meeting at 7:00 pm at Van Zilen Hall 51 Van Zant Street

• Dec. 28th

Rick Adams Vaudeville Family Show 11:00 a.m. at Van Zilen Hall 51 Van Zant Street

Holiday Lighting Contest

The Third Taxing District announces its first annual Holiday Lighting Contest. The contest will be for exterior holiday decoration and will be open to home or business electric customers of the Third Taxing District only.

There will be three prizes awarded in the residential category and one in the commercial category. Residential prizes will consist of a plaque and a gift certificate of \$300 for first prize, \$200 for second prize, and \$100 for third

prize. The commercial prize will be a plaque only. All winning entries will be photographed and published in the "Inside Your Third" February issue. An independent panel of three judges will do the judging and their decision is final.

Call the Electric Department at 866-9271 to register your home or business for the contest or nominate someone else's home or business. All entries must be received no later than 4:30 p.m., Friday, December 17, 2004 to be eligible for the contest.

Third Taxing District Commission 2005 Regular Meeting Schedule

Tuesday, January 18, 2005 Monday, June 20, 2005 Monday, February 7, 2005 Monday, July 18, 2005 Wednesday, February 23, 2000 Monday, August 15, 2005 Monday, March 7, 2005 Monday, September 19, 2005 Monday, March 21, 2005 Monday, October 17, 2005 Tuesday, April 19, 2005 Monday, November 7, 2005 Monday, May 9, 2005 Monday, November 21, 2005 Monday, May 23, 2005 Monday, December 19, 2005

The Annual Electors Meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 2, 2005

Business of the Month

RITE AID PHARMACY



Rite Aid, East Norwalk's only pharmacy, is conveniently located at the corners of East Avenue and St. John Street just one block from the Connecticut Thruway.

Located at the corner of East Avenue and St. John Street, Rite Aid is East Norwalk's only pharmacy. Until they went out of business, Stoll's Drug Store, housed in what is now REO Appliance, was the exception.

At that time Rite Aid picked up Stoll's old prescription customers as well as their postal substation. A large public outcry developed when the Post Office withdrew the substation from this Rite Aid facility. Coming to the public's defense of the loss of this neighborhood convenience were the Mayor, the two local Councilmen, our State Representative, the TTD Commission Chairman, and even representatives from our U.S. Representative's office.

The public outcry and support from city, state, and U.S. officials was all to no avail. Purporting easily fixed misunderstandings as breaches in a contract, the U.S. Postal Service representatives ignored the pleas to keep the substation open.

To his credit, store manager Arthur Perez has bought books of stamps from the post office every week to accommodate those of his clients that were most inconvenienced by the sub station closing. There are no longer PO boxes and you can't send a certified or registered letter, but you can buy a book of twenty first-class stamps for \$7.40 from the front counter just inside the door. A mailbox is conveniently located outside the front door.

Rite Aid is a full service pharmacy with knowlegable and informative pharmacists and staff whose one-on-one service make this a true neighborhood store. Store hours are Monday thru Saturday from 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. Sunday from 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

How many of you out there can remember Singewald Buick being at this site many years ago? How many can remember buying a car from a future mayor of Norwalk?

LIBRARY HAPPENINGS

Friday December 17th & Saturday December 18th East Norwalk Improvement Association Christmas Fair in Eunice Van Zilen Hall

Tuesday, December 21st - 1:45 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Blood Drive - Eunice Van Zilen Hall

Tuesday, December 28th - 11:00 a.m. Rick Adams Vaudeville Family Show Eunice Van Zilen Hall

CHRISTMAS TREE SAFETY

- A real tree should not lose green needles when you tap it on the ground.
- Cut 1 inch off the trunk to help absorb water.
- Leave the tree outside until ready to decorate.
- The stand should hold at least 1 gal. of water.
- A 6' tree will use 1 gallon of water every two days.
- Mix a commercial preservative with the water.
- Check the water level every day.
- Secure the tree with wire to keep it from tipping.
- Keep tree away from floor heaters, fireplaces, or other heat sources.
- Use only UL-listed lights, and no more than 3 strands linked together.
- Use miniature lights--which have cool-burning bulbs.
- Turn off the Christmas lights when you sleep, or if you leave your home for very long.
- Never use candles, even on artificial trees.
- Clean the tree stand to improve the tree's water intake, use one capful of bleach to a cup of water.
- Dispose of the tree properly.

NEVER BURN A REAL TREE IN THE FIREPLACE!